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Telegram from Alexander Graham Bell to Mabel Hubbard Bell, May 13, 1908

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White-wing tried this morning weather suitable at last but fastening of bicycle wheels would not stand running over rough ground and broke before a start could be made repairs necessary and smoothing of field before another trial can be made. Alec.

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